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FastLane Help System

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Award Search Introduction

The FastLane Award Search feature (<https://www.fastlane.nsf.gov/a6/A6Start.htm>) (Figure 1) enables you to search the awards database for awards. You can do either one of the following:

- [Search for awards](#)
- [View a listing of awards](#)

Award Search

Please click on one of the following categories to obtain information on NSF awards.

- [Award Search](#) (Opens new browser window)
- [List of Recent Awards](#)

Figure 1 FastLane Award Search screen.

Searches are not case-sensitive.

Search for specific award information by any of the following search options:

- **Awardee** (Figure 2). Search for awards by PI or Co-PI information, including limiting the search to Historical Awards, Active Awards Only, and Expired Awards Only.

The screenshot shows the 'Award Search' interface with the 'Awardee Information' tab selected. At the top, there are four tabs: 'Awardee Information' (highlighted with a red circle), 'Program Information', 'Search All Free-Text', and 'Search All Fields'. Below the tabs, a hint states: 'Hint: The text field below 'Search Award For' searches the title, abstract, and award number fields.' The 'Search Award For:' field is empty. Below it is a checkbox for 'Restrict to Title Only:'. The main section is titled 'Awardee Information' with a magnifying glass icon. It contains a 'Principal Investigator' section with fields for 'First Name:' and 'Last Name:', both highlighted in yellow. To the right of the 'Last Name' field is a 'PI Lookup' button. Below this is a hint: 'Hint: Including CO-PI will result in slower searches.' followed by an 'Include CO-PI:' checkbox. The 'Organization:' field is highlighted in yellow, with an 'Organization Lookup' button to its right. Below 'Organization:' are fields for 'State:', 'ZIP Code:', and 'Country:', all highlighted in yellow. At the bottom, there are three checkboxes: 'Historical Awards:' (unchecked), 'Active Awards Only:' (checked), and 'Expired Awards Only:' (unchecked). At the very bottom are 'Search' and 'Reset' buttons.

Figure 2 Award Search screen on the Awardee Information tab.

- **Program** (Figure 3)
Search for awards by National Science Foundation (NSF) organization, program, and program officer (PO), including limiting the search to Historical Awards, Active Awards Only, and Expired Awards Only.

Award Search

[Awardee Information](#) **Program Information** [Search All Free-Text](#) [Search All Fields](#)

Hint: The text field below 'Search Award For' searches the title, abstract, and award number fields.

[Search Award For:](#)

[Restrict to Title Only:](#) ☐

Program Information

[NSF Organization:](#) [NSF Org Lookup](#)

[Program Officer:](#)

[Element Code:](#) ☒ All ☐ Any [Element Code Lookup](#)

[Reference Code:](#) ☒ All ☐ Any [Ref Code Lookup](#)

Hint: This "Program" box searches both program element and program reference names and codes.

[Program:](#) [Program Lookup](#)

[Field of Application:](#)

Hint: Historical data is from prior to 1976. This data may not be as complete as recent data.

[Historical Awards:](#) ☐

[Active Awards Only:](#) ☒

[Expired Awards Only:](#) ☐

[Search](#) [Reset](#)

Figure 3 Award Search screen on the Program Information tab.

- **Free-text** (Figure 4)
Search for awards by title, abstract, and award number text, including limiting the search to title only, Historical Awards, Active Awards Only, and Expired Awards Only.

Award Search

[Awardee Information](#) [Program Information](#) **Search All Free-Text** [Search All Fields](#)

Hint: The text field below 'Search Award For' searches the title, abstract, and award number fields.

[Search Award For:](#)

[Restrict to Title Only:](#) ☐

Hint: Historical data is from prior to 1976. This data may not be as complete as recent data.

[Historical Awards:](#) ☐

[Active Awards Only:](#) ☒

[Expired Awards Only:](#) ☐

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Figure 4 Award Search screen on the Free-Text Search tab.

- **All Fields** (Figure 5)
Search for awards using awardee, program, and free-text criteria.

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[Awardee Information](#) [Program Information](#) [Search All Free-Text](#) **[Search All Fields](#)**

Hint: The text field below 'Search Award For' searches the title, abstract, and award number fields.

Search Award For:

Restrict to Title Only: ☐

Awardee Information

Principal Investigator

First Name:

Last Name: [PI Lookup](#)

Hint: Including CO-PI will result in slower searches.

Include CO-PI: ☐

Organization: [Organization Lookup](#)

State:

ZIP Code:

Country:

Program Information

NSF Organization: [NSF Org Lookup](#)

Program Officer:

Element Code: ☒ All ☐ Any [Element Code Lookup](#)

Reference Code: ☒ All ☐ Any [Ref Code Lookup](#)

Hint: This "Program" box searches both program element and program reference names and codes.

Program: [Program Lookup](#)

Field of Application:

Additional Information

Original Award Date: **From:** **To:**

Start Date: **From:** **To:**

Expiration Date: **From:** **To:**

Award Number: **From:** **To:**

Amount:

Award Instrument:

Hint: Historical data is from prior to 1976. This data may not be as complete as recent data.

Figure 5 Award Search screen on the Search All Fields tab.

See also:

- Improve search results
- Export award results

Search for Awards

To search for an award, do the following:

1. Access the **Award Search** page:
 - From the URL (<http://www.nsf.gov/awardsearch/index.jsp>)
 - From the FastLane Homepage (<https://www.fastlane.nsf.gov/fastlane.jsp>):
 - a. Click the **Award Search and Funding Trends** Quick Link on the left-hand side of the page.
 - b. Click **Search Awards** on the **Award Search and Funding Trends** page.
 - c. Click **Award Search** on the **Award Search** page.
2. Determine which search option is best on the basis of the award information that you have.
3. Click the corresponding search tab.
4. Complete at least one of the search criterion fields.
5. Click the **search** button to search. Or, click the **reset** button to clear the fields and start again. Awards matching your search criteria are displayed in a table with the following information:
 - Award Number
 - Title
 - NSF Organization Program(s)
 - Start Date
 - Principal Investigator
 - State Organization
 - Awarded Amount to Date
6. View the appropriate award. Or, click **Back** or **Refine Search** to return to your original search criteria on the **Search Award** page for further definition.

See Improve Search Results

View Awards

To view an award, do the following:

1. Locate the specific award number from your search results (Figure 1).

[Refine Search](#)

49 awards found, displaying all awards.

Award Number	Title	NSF Organization	Program(s)	Start Date	Principal Investigator	State	Organization	Awarded Amount to Date
0511927	Minority Postdoctoral Research Fellowship for FY 2005	DBI	MINORITY POSTDOC RSRCH FLW-NEW	10/01/2005	Carlo, Tomas	CO	Carlo, Tomas A	\$120,000.00
0514399	Estimation of Cloud Properties in Three-dimension (3D) from Cloud Resolving Data Assimilation	ATM	PHYSICAL & DYNAMIC METEOROLOGY	09/01/2005	Vukobratovic, Tomislava	CO	University of Colorado at Boulder	\$117,997.00
0515290	Optimality of a Sensory Receptor Array	IOB	ENVIRON & STRUCTURAL SYS CL	09/01/2005	Gedeon, Tomas	MT	Montana State University	\$191,690.00
0509478	Neutron Scattering Studies of New Magnetic Semiconductors and their Epitaxial Structures	DMS		08/01/2005	Giebelgore, Tomasz	OR	Oregon State University	\$98,822.00
0509837	The Analysis, Reaction and Growth of Aerosol Particles Studied by Vacuum UV Photoionization Mass Spectrometry	CHE	SPECTROSCOPY, ATMOSPHERIC CHEMISTRY	08/01/2005	Baer, Tomas	NC	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	\$205,000.00
0456990	Topological Invariants and Singularities in Rational Geometry	DMS	ALGEBRA, NUMBER THEORY AND COM	07/01/2005	De Fernex, Tommaso	MI	University of Michigan Ann Arbor	\$86,035.00

Figure 1 Award Search Results.

2. Click on the award number. The award abstract opens in a new window (Figure 2).

Award link

49 awards found, displaying

NSF Award Abstract - #0511927

Minority Postdoctoral Research Fellowship for FY 2005

NSF Org DBI

Initial Amendment Date June 30, 2005

Latest Amendment Date June 30, 2005

Award Number 0511927

Award Instrument Fellowship

Program Manager Carter Kimsev

Abstract in New Window

Figure 2 Proposal Abstract.

See Export awards

Improve Search Results

You can improve your search results by keeping the following in mind:

- Enter as many search criteria that you can to generate more specific results.
- Enter few search criteria to potentially increase the results.
- Use wild card searches when you know little about the specific award. For example, enter part of the program name in the results list (e.g., "bio" instead of "biography") with the trailing wild card symbol--an asterisk (*)--as in "bio*". Wild card symbols represent one or more characters. That is, using "bio*" will return results that match any words that begin with "bio" and one or more characters thereafter (e.g., "biography", "biology", "biologist", "biophysics", etc).
- Contact the National Science Foundation (NSF) when all else fails. When contacting NSF, provide as much information about your search as possible and include your email address if you want to be contacted.

Export Award Searches

To export (save) your award search results, do the following:

1. Scroll to the bottom of your search results page.
2. Right-click on the icon (Figure 1) for the export format you want to download. You can export search results in Microsoft® Excel®, XML, or CSV formats.



Figure 1 Download Options.

3. Click **Save Target As** (Internet Explorer for Microsoft Windows) (Figure 2)

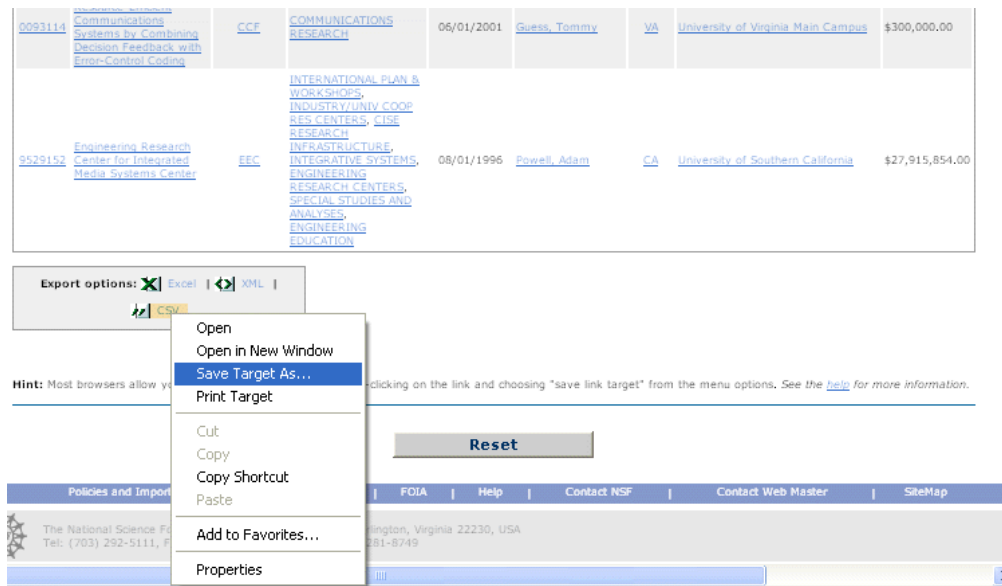


Figure 2 Saving File in Internet Explorer.

or **Save Link As** (Firefox® for Microsoft® Windows®) (Figure 3).

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0093114	Resource-Efficient Communications Systems by Combining Decision Feedback with Error-Control Coding	CCF	COMMUNICATIONS RESEARCH	06/01/2001	Guess, Tommy	VA	Univer: Campu
9529152	Engineering Research Center for Integrated Media Systems Center	EEC	INTERNATIONAL PLAN & WORKSHOPS, INDUSTRY/UNIV COOP RES CENTERS, CISE RESEARCH INFRASTRUCTURE, INTEGRATIVE SYSTEMS, ENGINEERING RESEARCH CENTERS, SPECIAL STUDIES AND ANALYSES, ENGINEERING EDUCATION	08/01/1996	Powell, Adam	CA	Univer:

Export options: ☒ Excel ☐ XML ☐ CSV

Hint: Most browsers allow you to save a link by right-clicking on the link and choosing "save link target" from the menu

[Reset](#)

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Figure 3 Saving File in Firefox.

4. Navigate to the location on your computer that you want the file saved to.
5. Click **Save**.

Proposal Deadlines

For a rundown on deadlines for proposal submission for currently available opportunities, see [Active Funding Opportunities](#). (This link takes you out of the FastLane system.)

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